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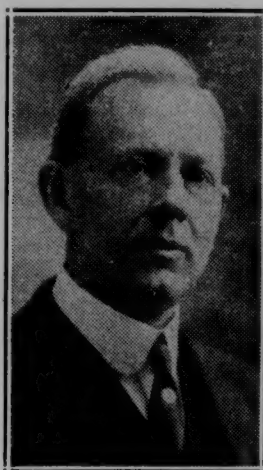
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HIGH HONOR GIVEN TO CHURCH LEADERS

In recognition of outstanding service in the fields of religion and philosophy, the high honor of membership in the Philosophical Society of Great Britain, or the Victoria Institute, has been conferred upon two prominent leaders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. Elder Joseph Fielding Smith of the Council of Twelve and Dr. F. S. Harris, president of the Brigham Young University.



Jos. Fielding Smith

The prestige of membership in the Victoria Institute was first accorded a member of the Latter-day Saint Church with the election of Dr. James E. Talmage, of the Council of Twelve, in 1899. In 1921, associateship was conferred upon Dr. John A. Widtsoe of the Council of Twelve.

The Victoria Institute, London, was founded in 1865, with the Eighth Earl of Shaftsbury as its president. The prime object of its organization was to defend the revealed truth of the Holy Scriptures against opposition arising from pseudo-science. Although launched as a defense movement it has included how scientific discoveries illustrate and corroborate the truths of revelation.

RADIO

The Mormon Male Chorus is on the radio again, on the Stake broadcast over KFMO (formerly KTAB) Sunday afternoon, 1 to 1:30 p. m. Kimball Sant of Salt Lake was the guest announcer June 2. He is a brother of Robert Sant, director of the chorus. Commencing July 1, the broadcast will be a joint-Stake feature, the San Francisco Stake presenting the program on alternate Sundays.

ANOTHER STAKE

The 112th Stake of the Church was organized Sunday, May 12, by dividing the Idaho Falls Stake and creating from it the North Idaho Falls Stake. The new Stake comprises seven wards and three branches. The organization was effected under the direction of Pres. Rudger Clawson and Chas. A. Callis of the Council of the Twelve.

WOMEN

Miss Naomi Hammond was elected president of the Democratic Women's Forum of San Francisco, May 29. A former Salt Lake girl, for the past three years has been an active and ardent worker in the San Francisco Ward.

PRES. EUGENE HILTON, speaking at our last Stake conference, read statistics and comments from "Social Trends," a study prepared by the Government of the United States, which indicated that the Mormon Church during the recent generation leads all Christian churches in percentage of membership increase.

MY MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER

By Marie C. Thomas

Dear God, I kneel to ask of Thee a blessing,
I humbly pray that Thou will grant to me
Faith and strength to understand my mission,
I want to be of service to my "Three."

Thou mated me with one whom I love dearly,
My thanks, for life with one so patterned after Thee;
Help me, Oh Lord, to be his inspiration
That he may find support and strength in me.

My thanks for her Thou placed into my keeping,
A truly glorious soul Thou sent through me.
Oh Father, help me make her life the sweeter,
Make me the Mother I so want to be.

And, Father, help me understand my boy,
I'm thankful Thou did'st trust him unto me,
Please give me power to be a worthy Mother
That somehow I may really help him "See."

Dear Father, give me strength to be their comfort,
The wife and Mother Thou would have me be,
And fill my heart forever with Thy Spirit,
Prepare me best to serve my much loved "Three."

NOTE: This original poem was read by Sister Thomas in a Mother's Day program, May 12 in the Berkeley Sunday School.

DAUGHTERS

The Alameda County company of the Daughters of the Utah Pioneers was organized April 25, by members of the San Francisco County company. The Company organized with thirteen members, elected as officers: Captain, Minnie T. Ellsworth; 1st Vice-Captain, Mary A. Cherrington; 2nd Vice-Captain, Winnifred Phelps; Recording Secretary, Elsie C. Brown; Corresponding Secretary, Effie Gibbs.

Camps may be organized in all Wards of the Oakland Stake by the Alameda County company. Any group wanting information regarding such an organization may communicate by calling either Elsie Brown, FRuitvale 6344-W or Effie Gibbs, FRuitvale 5631-J.

MONUMENT

A church-wide movement has been launched to erect a monument on Temple Square in Salt Lake to Chas. R. Savage who initiated Old Folks Day. A call for small donations has been sent to all Wards and Stakes. Those desiring to contribute to perpetuate the memory of this man who has done so much for the aged, please see your bishop.

TRIBUTE

Dr. Charles E. Barker, famed lecturer, traveler, and "Rotary's Ambassador to Youth" during a recent visit to Salt Lake, paid a high tribute to the Latter-day Saints. Dr. Barker was once asked, "What group of Americans were making the greatest contribution to civilization?" as he had witnessed them in his travels.

"Twenty years ago I would have unhesitatingly named the Mormons as the most undesirable class. But having traveled continuously since over this country and having learned to know people, I have come to feel that the most desirable people, having the highest standards of morality and virtue, are the "Mormon people."

OPENING CONCERT

The opening of the Berkeley chapel is announced with a grand concert, Saturday, June 8, at 8 p. m. An augmented chorus, under the direction of W. King Driggs, instrumental ensembles and solo numbers will be included. Featured solo artist will be Dorothy Dunyan Shattuck, Grant Anderson and Yvonne King.

The first services will be held the following day, Sunday, June 9. A special program has been arranged.

GRADUATES

At the recent commencement exercises of the University of San Francisco, Bishop Claude W. Nalder, Scott C. Lambert and Arthur Anderson received their L. L. B. degrees. Mr. Lambert won the high honor of class valedictorian. Congratulations, brethren, on your fine achievements. Success to you in your chosen callings.

NOTES

Delbert H. Rock has resigned his position as executive for the Safeway Stores, Inc. to join partnership with L. J. Skaggs of Seattle in a chain of cut-rate drug stores through the West.

We welcome Basil Kerr of Los Angeles, new arrival in this Stake. Elder Kerr has been an ardent leader of the Aaronic priesthood in the Wiltshire ward, Hollywood stake. Mrs. Kerr and children are expected shortly.

Among the visitors to Salt Lake to the June conference were Mrs. Marie C. Thomas, W. Glenn Harmon and family, Helen Beukers, and Margaret Monson of Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. James Kay, Bishop and Mrs. John G. Shields and Francis M. Rich and family of Oakland.

Said O. LESLIE STONE, of the Stake High Council, at our recent conference:

"I am pleased in being permitted to have active responsibility in this Church. I believe in, and practice the law of tithing, without quibbling. Tithe-paying is like going into partnership with the Lord. We cannot expect the Lord to pay all the expenses—we must do our share. I believe that obedience to this principle is one of the surest ways to secure our membership in the Lord's kingdom. I have never heard of a full tithe-payer apostatizing from the faith."

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"Behold, I will send my messenger, and he will prepare the way before me; and the Lord whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple."—Mal. 3:1

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THE SABBATH DAY

"And the inhabitants of Zion shall also observe the Sabbath Day to keep it holy."
—D. and C. 68:29

One of the most serious problems facing the Latter-Day Saints today is the prevailing attitude toward the Sabbath—the Lord's Day.

Among the standards established by our Heavenly Father for our guidance, contained for the most part in the Ten Commandments, is the positive injunction—"Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it Holy."

Probably the most serious violation of this commandment is the rapidly increasing practice of making Sunday a day of pleasure, sports and recreation, all out of harmony with the spirit of the Sabbath.

Because people not of our faith engage in these practices, many Latter-day Saints feel that no serious sin is involved. The facts are, however, that the Lord has given us His commandments which have been emphasized anew to us in this dispensation. There is no justification for the belief that our responsibility is any less today than in any time in the past. We have been warned repeatedly not to follow the ways of the world. Unnecessary labor, pleasure-seeking, sports and other practices not in harmony with the Word of the Lord are desecrations of the Sabbath and in violation of the fourth commandment. Church officers, teachers, parents, and all who have positions of leadership among the young or old should strive with all diligence to teach proper observance of the Sabbath as one of the duties and obligations of every Latter-day Saint.

The teaching should be by example as well as by precept.

The Sabbath should be a day of rest from all our labors, of worship and thanksgiving to our Father in Heaven and of devotion to His work. Attendance at Sacrament meeting is one thing all are commanded to do on the Lord's Day. Spiritual, physical and material blessings are promised to those who obey His word. References: Doc. and Cov., Section 59. Gospel Doctrine, Page 304. Exodus 20:8-11.

(Ward Teachers' Message for July, 1935)

ASSIGNMENTS

High Council and Missionary appointments for Sunday, June 16, are as follows:

ALAMEDA—I. B. Ball and Russell Thompson.
BERKELEY—John Soelberg, Walter Brey.
DIMOND—A. D. Erickson, M. Elmo Carr.
ELMHURST—W. T. Hicken, Fern Barney.
HAYWARD—Grant D. Ellis, Rolyat Cox.
MARTINEZ—C. M. Dewsnup, Robert T. Paine.
OAKLAND—F. J. Parsons, Frank Blair.
PITTSBURG—John J. Kest, P. W. Jackson.
RICHMOND—Chas. C. Carr, John Searle.
VALLEJO—D. J. Allphin, Arland Olson.

THE LATTER-DAY SAINTS
IN CALIFORNIA

(From *Eldredge's History of California*, Vol. V., pp. 161).

(Continued from May issue)

Among the mountains, in the little valley of Coloma, on the south fork of the American river, about forty-five miles east from the fort, a saw mill was erected for Captain Sutter. After its completion the water was turned into the race to clear away dirt and other debris, preliminary to a run. The stream having been shut off, Sutter's foreman walking along the tail race, picked up from the bottom of the ditch a few yellow shining particles, about the size of wheat. These were assayed and found to be gold. That foreman was James W. Marshall, famed as the discoverer of gold in California (January, 1848). But others besides Marshall were concerned in the event; 'Mormon' picks and shovels had helped to bring the precious metal to the surface.

Henry W. Bigler, afterwards of St. George, Utah made what was probably the first record of the world renowned discovery. The entry in his diary read as follows: "Monday 24th. This day some kind of metal was found in the tail race that looks like gold." Six days later he wrote: "Our metal has been tried and proves to be gold. It is thought rich. We have picked up more than one hundred dollar's worth last week." Associated with Bigler were Alexander Stephens, James S. Brown, James Berger, William J. Johnston, and Azariah Smith, all ex-members of the battalion.

It is a remarkable fact that the battalion men who had been advised from Salt Lake valley to rejoin the main body of their people here in 1848 did so, notwithstanding the prevalent and constantly growing excitement over the gold fields that was beginning to sweep the coast lands like a cyclone. . . Many of the Brooklyn Company perhaps most of them, also came on to 'The Valley'; but Brannan, their one time leader, remained in California.

BEAUTY OF LIFE

For the philosophy of life which the Gospel of Jesus Christ brings to me I am deeply grateful. It enables me to appraise, at least with self-satisfaction, the relative values of all life's manifestations. From it I learn that evil and sorrow have a predetermined place in the world as well as goodness and joy. I discover that all the gifts of God are good, even adversity, when viewed in the light of eternal truths.

These concepts bring hope and peace to my soul. They leave no place for despondency and bitterness. There are of course grief, pity and sometimes discouragement for wickedness, failure and distress, but these are but temporary. In the longer vision, eternal goodness prevails, truth triumphs and hope and faith sustain me. This is my thanksgiving.—Stephen L. Richards.

To swear is neither brave, polite, or wise.
—Pope

"Because God cannot be ever with us, He gave us mothers."—Jewish Proverb.

Choose not between evils, but between right and wrong.

MEXICO

A press dispatch from Mexico, May 18, reported that the director-general of education had ordered the closing of the Mormon schools throughout the State of Chihuahua, because, he alleged, they had failed to teach the doctrine of Socialism and had conducted classes in English in violation of the law.

MISSIONARIES

Power of the Latter-day Saint missionary system for good was pointed out by Apostle John A. Widtsoe, former president of the European mission, at the general conference of the Church in Salt Lake City. He showed that there were 15,742 living returned missionaries on the records; 84 per cent are tithe-payers; 96 per cent exert an influence for good in their community; 96 per cent keep the Word of Wisdom; 73 per cent hold positions or office in the Church; 92 per cent are employed, and of the 8 per cent unemployed, half are housewives or employed in the home.—Millennial Star.

STAKE MISSION

The regular monthly report meeting of the Stake Mission was held June 5 with the Mission presidency and 22 missionaries in attendance. It was a spirited meeting, all determining to more earnestly prosecute the assigned work.

Pres. Wm. T. Hicken announced honorable releases for the following who have labored during the past two years: Edward M. Soper, Ronald A. Cheney, Martha Fitzpatrick, Ruth E. Wilson, and Eloise Sims.

HIGH PRIESTS

Harry R. Fletcher, Chairman of the Quorum's Personal Welfare Committee, has issued a form to each Ward and Branch of the Oakland Stake requesting the name, occupation, address, church activity and other characteristics of every member of the Quorum. Those Wards and Branches which have not yet completed this report are urged to do so and to mail direct to Brother Fletcher at once.

On March 24, 1935, Mariner Swenson, John E. Mayer and H. E. Wooley were sustained to be ordained as High Priests. Brothers Swenson and Mayer were ordained the same day, and Brother Wooley who was traveling in the East at the time, was ordained Sunday, May 26.

PATRIARCHAL

Under a recent ruling of the First Presidency, persons desiring Patriarchal blessings must obtain a certificate from their bishop. We have two patriarchs in the Stake, Norman B. Phillips in Oakland and Wm. E. Potts in Walnut Creek. Saints desiring a blessing are requested to observe this new rule.

TESTIMONIES

"In order to allow more time for testimony in Fast Meeting, the bishops should exercise particular care in presiding over the meetings, in order that neither preachments, long-drawn-out narrations, nor routine repetitious statements by certain members, are given. Attendance of young people at Fast Meeting is increasing and they should be encouraged. This meeting is for the expression of faith and gratitude by the Church members generally and should not be monopolized by a relatively few, but encouragement should be given to the bearing of brief, heart-felt testimonies and experiences by the younger, as well as the older members."—Presiding Bishopric.

DR. GRANT ELLIS of the High Council, speaker at recent Stake conference, observed:

"There was a time in early Christian history, when there was only one honor higher than to be known as a Christian, and that was to be one. A similar day has now come for Latter-day Saints, when there is only one honor higher than being known as a Mormon, and that is to be one."

HAWAII

A new Stake of the Church, the 113th, is soon to be organized in Hawaii. Following the June conference, Presidents Heber J. Grant and J. Reuben Clark will sail for Honolulu to effect the organization. The temple at Laie, Hawaii, was dedicated by President Grant, November 27, 1919.

BIRTHS

DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. Reed H. Chase of Oakland, May 20.
DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. Werner Van Dorp of Martinez, May 19.
TWIN SONS, born to Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Huish of Oakland, May 28.
DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Auger of Dimond, June 3.
DAUGHTER, born to Mr. and Mrs. Leo Partington of Elmhurst, June 3.

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• • • AUXILIARY ACTIVITIES • • •

SUNDAY SCHOOL

General Supt. Geo. D. Pyper, accompanied by two or three other General Board members will attend Oakland Stake's first Sunday school convention, Sunday, June 16. The first session will convene at 9 o'clock Sunday morning at Oakland chapel, and the final one will close at 12 o'clock noon. The announced program, otherwise will be followed.

It is most essential that every Sunday School officer and teacher be in attendance at all sessions. It will be necessary, therefore, that substitute officers and teachers be appointed for this Sunday.

The theme of the convention: "The Prepared Teacher—the Inspired Child." Subjects dealing with this theme will be treated and demonstrated by the General Board members.

Supt. Pyper is particularly anxious that Ward bishopricks, high counselors and the Stake presidency be in attendance.

PRIMARY

Laurine Ellis and Ida Neilson have been sustained as counselors to Stake Superintendent Jean Lauper. Now, watch things go!

"Let's Go Traveling" is the summer activity program for the Primary this year. The countries to be visited are Japan, Norway, Holland, British Isles and the Indian reservations. The purpose of this new type of program is to create a feeling of world friendship and foster a sympathetic understanding of life in other countries. It would be greatly appreciated if the parents would cooperate and help the children in bringing stories, poems, songs, pictures, costumes and any other articles that will add to the interest of the travelogues.

Every Primary in the stake has presented its May Day festival with the exception of Alameda who will present theirs the early part of June. Very favorable reports have been received of each presentation.

BIG SURPRISE!

All primary workers are requested to attend a special activity meeting to be held in the Oakland Stake hall, Saturday, June 30, at 1 p. m. There will not be a Sunday Union meeting for Primary workers in June.

MIA

The first annual "hobby show" of the Oakland Stake, held in conjunction with Stake "honor night," May 28, was a delightful success. It was a fine exhibit of many and varied subjects, from butterflies to wood carving. Betty Owens, director, is to be congratulated.

Five Wards received "honor awards" for activities during the past year. Superintendent W. G. Harmon made the presentations. Dimond, 8 subjects; Berkeley, 6; Oakland, 5; and 4 each for Alameda and Richmond.

Various types of cultural activities were presented by various wards during "Stake Honor Night," May 28 at Oakland chapel. The large crowd, fine spirit and animated interest, indicated a decided step forward over the "contest nights" of past years.

Kathryn Pearson, Stake Gleaner leader, has returned after an extended trip to the East coast.

Our MIA publicity directors, Dr. George and Lola Smith have returned from their honeymoon—to Los Angeles, Salt Lake, through Idaho and the Northwest!

The annual MIA Field Day, May 30, was held in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco. As the first inter-Stake outing, it was a delightful success. More than six hundred

Saints of the two Stakes enjoyed a glorious day in the grassy glade, frolic and playing, contesting in athletic games and races. Picnic lunches spread in groups, made the day one long to be remembered.

Let this fine outdoor meeting continue as an annual inter-Stake affair!

The new MIA slogan for 1935-36: "We stand for spirituality and happiness in the home."

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In the Church-wide ERA campaign, all records since 1929 were broken. Juarez stake won in "percentage of quota" with 201 percent, while Los Angeles stake scored with the greatest number of ERA subscriptions 1009. Twenty-six stakes and 508 wards reached their quotas. Out of 110 stakes, San Francisco (which includes Oakland) is in 33rd place with 89 per cent of its quota.

SCOUTS

Chief Scout Executive for the United States, Dr. James E. West, enroute recently to Washington, D. C., following a prolonged visit with Lord Baden-Powell of London, chief Scout of the world, in San Francisco, said at the airport at Salt Lake City: "One out of two boys of Scout age in region 12 (in which Utah is located) is a registered Boy Scout. This is the highest in the country, but in Utah the percentage is even higher due largely to the unusually fine cooperation of the Latter-day Saint Church."

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In the June issue of the Improvement Era is a photo of Berkeley's Boy Scout troop, with this comment:

"Scout Troop 8 of the Berkeley Ward in the Oakland Stake is an active, progressive group according to reports from ward officers. One significant reason for its success is apparent from the picture in this issue, showing the Bishopric and other leading adults interested in the troop and its welfare."

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DON J. ALLPHIN, High Councillor, testified at our recent Stake conference to the importance of the Priesthood. "I urge the brethren to honor it. I appeal to the mothers and sisters to help their sons and brothers to honor it in accordance with its importance."

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Actual construction on the new San Francisco Chapel is well under way and the Social Hall will soon be completed.

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• • WARD NEWS • •

ELMHURST

Beaming with happiness was our Sunday School secretary, Lydia Hatfield, as she announced her engagement to Ivan Pearson last Sunday. Congratulations.

We are happy to officially receive in our Ward the Alton Sterretts and family; Virgil R. Nish and family; Vernon E. B. Winn and family; Sister Rachel Brown, her son Newman and daughter Rachel. Mrs. Brown is the mother of Irene Hunt.

Representing Elmhurst at the MIA Convention are Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Edmonds, they expect to extend their vacation visiting with friends and relatives in Salt Lake.

Bishop Horace J. McFarlane has organized a class for adult members of the Aaronic Priesthood and would appreciate the cooperation of all married priests, teachers and deacons. Come to Sunday School and join this class to prepare you for the higher Priesthood.

Edward J. Partington has just returned from Utah and Idaho. He says his son Ken is looking fine and enjoying farm-work in fact he has gained twelve pounds in the last two weeks.

"I am speaking for my husband," came the voice of Violet Smith over the phone. We wondered if the surgeons had removed Glen's tongue rather than his tonsils, but now we are happy that it is over and that he is improving.

Dick Lawton, scoutmaster of Troop 44, is proudly displaying three "A" badges awarded to three Scouts at the Camporee at Lake Merritt last week. This entitles the boys to attend the big camporee at Stockton. Congratulations.

Mrs. L. Movell Day is enjoying a visit of her sister from Utah.

MARTINEZ

Mr. and Mrs. Werner Von Dorp announce the arrival of a baby girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bernard have returned after spending their vacation with relatives at San Rafael.

The Relief Society held their annual Relief Society Conference, May 12. President Sarah Carruth, Adrian Gee, F. J. Parsons, and President Macdonald were the speakers.

Our Primary presented their first May Day festival at the high school gymnasium. Supt. Jean Lauper, Armette Woods and Lillian Miller of the Stake Board were present.

The Sunday School conducted the program May 26th at Sacramento meeting. Robert Sant rendered two violin selections.

BERKELEY

On Ward honor night, 48 achievement cards in personal endeavor were presented to those who took part in reading, dramatics, public speaking, social conduct and mixed chorus.

Berkeley Ward achieved in six fields at Stake honor night May 28. Those listed above plus dancing.

Neva Hill was the honored guest at a stork shower held recently at the home of Myrl Coltrin.

Edna Ekin and Ruland Doxey are to be married early in July in the Salt Lake temple.

Mrs. Theodore Ruegg has returned from the state Parent-Teacher convention at San Diego.

The first entertainment in the new amusement hall will be a dinner dance June 21.

Mrs. I. B. Ball was the dramatic reader of A. A. Milne's, "The Ivory Door" at a primary officers' meeting recently.

RICHMOND

The Mutual ended the year's work with a picnic at Alvarado Park.

Thos. L. Farnsworth of Long Beach visited friends in Richmond the past week. He was formerly a member of the bishopric.

Richmond Ward enjoyed a musical feast Sunday, June 2 when the Mormon Male Chorus visited us. Mr. Nellie McDonald gave an interesting talk on music.

The Mutual held a "Round the World Trip" Tuesday, June 4. It was one of the most interesting parties of the year, thanks to Mrs. Naomic Layton and her committee. The proceeds will go to our building fund.

ALAMEDA

In commemoration of the anniversary of the restoration of the Aaronic priesthood in the latter days, the meeting Sunday evening, May 19 was given over to the Aaronic priesthood of the Ward. All the boys participated. Joseph Fontano was ordained a deacon on this date.

We are going to miss Mutual very much, now that it is over. The closing meeting and a dance were held on May 23. During the meeting awards were presented to those who had fulfilled the requirements necessary in the activity departments. There were ten so honored. A special feature of the dance was a professional wrestling exhibition by our own Hans Schroeder, (Al Newman) and his friend Hans Schultz.

Ernest Crosbie and Hyrum S. Horman were ordained elders at quorum meeting.

Homer Hansen and his counselors of the Young Men's Mutual were released with a vote of thanks for their excellent work. This was necessary because of the Hansen family moving to Salt Lake. New officers are soon to be chosen.

VALLEJO

The monthly report meeting held at the home of Alvin George Cheshire was a real success. President Telford was pleased with the reports given. Fourteen were present.

Mother's Day program was given in the Sunday School, and enjoyed by all. Each mother was presented with a lovely corsage. In the evening, the Relief Society conducted the services under the direction of President Katheryn Christensen. Bromwell Z. Cox was the principal speaker, after which the Relief Society presented the branch with a combined Doctrine and Covenants, Pearl of Great Price and Book of Mormon.

Miss Exie Mayfield returned to her home in Salt Lake City after a delightful visit with her sister, Mrs. J. Myron Telford.

Edward J. Partington spent Sunday, May 19 in Vallejo, attending Sunday School, and being the speaker for the evening services.

DIMOND

Eugene Hilton Jr. has accepted a seaman's berth and shipped for New York via the Panama Canal.

The MIA Honor Nite was a distinct success. Five activities were presented and

awards given to nearly forty people for participation this past season. Following the program a dance was held and refreshments served. Dimond was the only Ward in the Stake to receive awards in all eight activities. The MIA officers are to be congratulated for their splendid work this season.

Boys and young men of the Aaronic Priesthood presented the program for Sunday evening May 19. Lynford Pearce conducting. President Hilton was visiting and gave a splendid address.

Dr. Reese an uncle of Dr. Glen Dorius was a visitor in Oakland and San Francisco for a few days prior to his sailing to take charge of the Australian Mission. May 26 he attended Dimond sacrament meeting and gave a fine sermon.

Monday evening, May 27, under the direction of Rose Eddington, the Genealogical Society gave a pageant and musical program depicting the gathering of all nations to Zion and the Temple.

Vacationists from Dimond include Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Curtis to Utah. Mr. and Mrs. Blythe L. Mitchell and Gladys Mitchell to Los Angeles and San Diego. Mrs. Sarah Olson to Salt Lake City. Bishop and Mrs. Serge J. Lauper and daughters to Los Angeles and Ventura. Mrs. Clyde Summerhays and Sally to Provo, Utah.

OAKLAND

Eldon and Mary Rex sailed on the Malola May 28 for Honolulu to make their home. For the past four years both have been ardent Church workers in the Ward. For three years Eldon has been a member of the Bishopric, while Mary has been Ward chorister and Stake organist for the Relief Society. We will miss this fine young couple, and a host of Oakland friends wish them happiness in their new home. A Ward party in their honor was given May 17 when Hawaiian leis were hung around their necks, as the Ward sang an affectionate "Aloha."

Angus Norberg, popular MIA president, has been chosen by Bishop Shields as his counselor due to the release of A. Eldon Rex.

Bishop and Mrs. J. G. Shields are spending a vacation with relatives in Utah.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Rock have returned from a brief visit to Salt Lake.

"Blackie" and Mary Huish are "seeing double" these days—for on May 28 twin boys were born to bless their home.

Katherine Norberg and Helen Willey have returned after several weeks in Salt Lake.

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